

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

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The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ADOPTED
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

28 Ocotober 21, 2014

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ADOPT A RESOLUTION ASSIGNING TO THE LOS ANGELES PHILHARMONIC ASSOCIATION THE COUNTY'S RIGHT TO APPLY FOR COUNTY EXCESS FUNDS AVAILABLE TO THE THIRD SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT FOR VARIOUS PROJECTS AT THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL (SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 3) (3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

Approval of the recommended actions will allow the Department of Parks and Recreation to assign the County's right to apply for \$1,660,000 of Third Supervisorial District County Excess Funds, allocated to the Department by the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District, pursuant to the Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996, to the Los Angeles Philharmonic Association for various projects at the Hollywood Bowl.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

- 1. Find the proposed projects categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act for the reasons stated herein and the reasons reflected in the record of the projects.
- 2. Adopt the attached Resolution assigning to the Los Angeles Philharmonic Association the County's right to apply for \$1,660,000 of Third Supervisorial District County Excess Funds, allocated to the Department of Parks and Recreation by the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District, pursuant to the Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996, for the following projects at the Hollywood Bowl: Theater Rehabilitation Project with \$150,000 of County Excess Funds and total project cost is \$3,600,000; Box Office Plaza Improvements Project with \$510,000 of County Excess Funds and total project cost of \$4,000,000; Lighting Improvements Project with \$650,000 of County Excess Funds and total project cost of \$1,300,000; Sound Wall Improvements Project with \$350,000 of County Excess Funds and total project cost of \$700,000.

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3. Authorize the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation, or his designee, to accept the improvements made at the Hollywood Bowl upon satisfactory completion by the Los Angeles Philharmonic Association.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of the recommended actions will allow the Los Angeles Philharmonic Association (LAPA) to apply for \$1,660,000 of Third Supervisorial District County Excess Funds, allocated to the Department of Parks and Recreation (Department) by the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District (RPOSD), pursuant to the Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996 (1996 Proposition), for various projects listed below at the Hollywood Bowl.

Theater Rehabilitation Project

The proposed Theater Rehabilitation Project includes renovating the Amphitheater's seating area, which includes the replacement and repair of box seating partitions using stainless steel and new wood slats, and installing rubber walkway surface and stainless steel hand rails. The estimated total project cost is \$3,600,000. The project will be funded with \$3,300,000 Net County Cost, \$150,000 Cities Excess Funds, and \$150,000 County Excess Funds.

Box Office Plaza Improvements Project

The proposed Box Office Plaza Improvements Project includes installing new box office windows and renovating the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) entrance, Bowl Store, and concessions buildings. The estimated total project cost is \$4,000,000. The project will be funded with \$2,980,000 Net County Cost, \$510,000 Cities Excess Funds, and \$510,000 County Excess Funds.

Sound Wall Improvements Project

The proposed Sound Wall Improvements Project will include the purchase and installation of porous concrete material to replace existing soft materials and further improve control of the existing audio amplification system. The estimated total project cost is \$700,000. The project will be funded with \$350,000 Cities Excess Funds and \$350,000 County Excess Funds.

Lighting Improvements Project

The proposed Lighting Improvements Project will include the purchase and installation of freestanding lighting fixtures as well as landscape lighting in existing specimen trees for new outdoor lighting within the Hollywood Bowl campus. The estimated total project cost is \$1,300,000. The project will be funded with \$650,000 in Cities Excess Funds and \$650,000 in County Excess Funds.

Approval of the recommended actions will also allow the Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation, or his designee, to accept the improvements upon successful completion by LAPA of the projects mentioned above.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended action will further the Board-approved County Strategic Plan Goal of Operational Effectiveness/Fiscal Sustainability (Goal 1) by enhancing cultural and recreational opportunities at the Hollywood Bowl in the Third Supervisorial District.

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FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The recommended actions will have no impact on the County's General Fund. Sufficient appropriation in the amount of \$1,660,000 is budgeted in the Third Supervisorial District's portion of RPOSD's County Excess Funds Project Fund. The Department is assigning the County's right to apply for these funds to LAPA.

OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT

The recommended actions allow the Department, through LAPA, to propose various improvement/rehabilitation projects for grant funding. Additional operating costs may materialize from the project provisions, but will be dependent on approval and award of the grant.

As part of the Hollywood Bowl operating agreement with LAPA, all operating costs are reimbursable. Any additional operating cost is met with a corresponding increase in rent payment from LAPA. The Department will address these costs as necessary along with its New Facilities request during the appropriate fiscal year.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Proposition A requires that agencies to which funds were allocated under the Safe Neighborhood Parks Propositions of 1992 and 1996 (1992 and 1996 Propositions) encumber all such funds prior to receiving grants of Excess Funds. LAPA has met this requirement.

Proposition A provides a method of determining each fiscal year the amount of funds available in the following fiscal year to fund capital improvement projects in addition to the amounts specifically identified for projects in the 1992 and 1996 Propositions. The recommended actions will allow the Los Angeles Philharmonic Association to apply for funds from the County's Excess Funds available to the Third Supervisorial District.

Pursuant to RPOSD's Procedural Guide, the governing body of the agency, assigning the right to apply to another entity, must adopt a resolution to authorize the assignment.

County Counsel has approved this Board Letter and the attached resolution as to form.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The proposed projects are categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) according to Sections 15301 (a) (d), 15302 (c), and 15303 (e) of the State CEQA Guidelines and Classes 1(c)(d), 2 (e), and 3 (b) of the County's Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G, because the proposed projects involve minor alterations of existing facilities, restoration or rehabilitation of deteriorated or damaged structures or facilities, replacement of existing facilities involving negligible or no expansion of capacity, and construction of small new structures. None of the projects are listed as contributing historic structures and features. The proposed projects are in compliance with the Hollywood Bowl Design Guidelines.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of the recommended actions will not have an impact on services or any current or planned

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projects at the Hollywood Bowl.

CONCLUSION

Please instruct the Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board to return one adopted copy of this action to the Chief Executive Office, Facilities and Asset Management Division, and one to the Department.

Should you have any questions, please contact Luva Robinson at (213) 637-1845 or Irobinson@parks.lacounty.gov, Faith Parducho at (213) 738-2811 or fparducho@parks.lacounty.gov, Kasey Dizon at (213) 738-2986 or kdizon@parks.lacounty.gov, or Kaye Michelson at (213) 738-2955 or kmichelson@parks.lacounty.gov.

Respectfully submitted,

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Director

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Enclosures

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RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

APPROVING ASSIGNMENT TO THE LOS ANGELES PHILHARMONIC ASSOCIATION THE COUNTY'S RIGHT TO APPLY FOR COUNTY EXCESS FUNDS PURSUANT TO THE SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS PROPOSITION OF 1996 FOR VARIOUS PROJECTS

WHEREAS, the County of Los Angeles (County), pursuant to Section 24, Subsection b of the Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996 (1996 Proposition), is the designated recipient of Excess Funds allocated for capital projects; and

WHEREAS, the County may assign its right to apply for these funds to other agencies consistent with the purpose of the 1996 Proposition; and

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles Philharmonic Association (LAPA) is requesting \$1,660,000 of Third Supervisorial District County Excess Funds to complete the Hollywood Bowl Various Improvement Projects (Project); and

WHEREAS, the County has determined that it is in the County's best interest to assign its right to apply for these funds to LAPA; and

WHEREAS, LAPA will submit an application to the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District (District) to obtain a grant for the Project and provide assurances to the District that the funds will be expended in accordance with the intent of the 1996 Proposition and the District's procedural guidelines; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Parks and Recreation, or his designee, will accept the Project upon successful completion by LAPA.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors hereby assigns to the LAPA the County's right to apply for \$1,660,000 of Third Supervisorial District County Excess Funds for implementation of the Hollywood Bowl Various Improvement Projects.

The foregoing resolution was adopted on the 21st day of _october_, 2014, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, and ex officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, agencies, and authorities for which said Board so acts.

SACHI A. HAMAI, Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles

APPROVED AS TO FORM: MARK SALADINO

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